



Kirriemuir Community Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING of 25 January 2023 7 pm at Kirrie Connections Meeting Centre

Present: Heather Kelly (Chair), Jeanette Reioch (Secretary), Irena Krasinska Lobban (Treasurer) George Aitken, Frances Havenga, Eric Mitchell, Jim Stewart

In attendance: Jean Henderson (Minute Secretary), Cllr George Meechan

Heather opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the first meeting of the year and wishing everyone a "Happy New Year."

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1. **Apologies:** Cllr Ronnie Proctor, Cllr Julie Bell, Ron Lobban
2. **Approval of 30 November Minutes:** Agreed as a true and correct record. Proposed by Irena and seconded by Jim.
3. **Police Report:** Circulated. It was reported that one of the Newsagent's paper boys is riding his bike during early morning darkness without lights. Jeanette will discuss with the Newsagent.

4. **Scottish Fire & Rescue Services Report:**

December & January:

Community Safety:

12 x Home Fire Safety visits

3 x Operational Intelligence visits

Incidents:

4 x AFA (Automated Fire Alarm)

3 x Fire – dwelling

1 x Fire – building

2 x Special Service Calls – Lockfast/ Assist Ambulance

3 x Special Service (flooding)

4 x Road Traffic Collision

Key Messages this Winter:

We want people to join Scotland's fight against fire and use our winter safety tips. The following are the key messages we will be sending out in all our communications. When offering prevention and protection advice locally, the same messages should be used to ensure our campaign is consistent, therefore maximising its impact.

Keep portable heaters away from curtains and furniture and never use them for drying clothes, switching them off before you go to bed.

Never leave an electric blanket switched on when you're in bed unless it's marked 'suitable for all night use'. Check your electric blanket, plug and flex regularly for damage. If you're in any doubt, don't use it.

Most fatal fires are caused by smoker's materials. Don't smoke in your chair if you've been drinking or you're feeling tired. If you do feel tired smoke outside or stand up and smoke at a window or outside door.

Check your smoke, heat and Carbon Monoxide alarms are working. Replace batteries if necessary.

SFRS is working together with partners and the public for a safer Scotland.

5. **Treasurer's Report:**

FPP Fund £200.00, KCC Fund £581.91, Defib Fund £595.50, Grant £345.26, VAA Fund £300.00, Cash £10.00 Total £2022.67

6. **Matters Arising:**

B25 Development Trust update:

- Heather was unable to attend the 23 January meeting.
- Irena reported that the last two meetings have shown progress. 10 people in attendance. A Steering Group was formed.
- The Constitution (written and accepted by the Steering Group), Charity Status, opening of a bank account, etc. will all be taken to the full meeting, **7 pm on 14 February**, to which the public are invited.

